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John A. Kliem is the Executive Director of the Department of Navy (DON)'s Resilient Energy Program Office (REPO). He became an SES in August, 2016.

In his role as Executive Director, Mr. Kliem oversees the planning, coordination and integration of energy resiliency projects at REPO in Naval Facilities Engineering Command, directly reporting to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations, Energy and Environment). REPO was initially tasked with bringing one gigawatt (GW) of renewable energy into procurement by the end of 2015. Having surpassed that goal, REPO is now working to enhance the DON's energy security by developing resiliency projects on Navy and Marine Corps Installations.

Prior to becoming and SES and assuming the role of Executive Director in August of 2016, Kliem served as REPO's Deputy Director from May 2014 to July 2016. Before his nearly two years of civilian service at REPO, Mr. Kliem served for 26 years as a Civil Engineer Corps Officer in the United States Navy achieving the rank of Captain. Additionally, he served as the Chief of Staff to the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment and as the Base Operations Support Director for Commander, Navy Installations Command. He joined the United States Navy as an officer in 1989 and remained on active duty until 2016.

Mr. Kliem graduate from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. He earned a Master of Science degree in Environmental Engineering from Pennsylvania State University and a Master of Science degree in National Strategic Resources from The Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy.